# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION

JUNE 24, 2013



Bobbie Estrada, Frank Kadlecek, Donna Marencia,

Alice Pivacek

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Renee Furtado, Therapeutic Services Supervisor,

Phil Orr, Recreation Supervisor-Senior Center

Morgan Pershing, Librarian

Dale Seale, Deputy Parks and Recreation Director

GUESTS: Jolene Bradford, Tom Freitas

#### MATTERS FOR COUNCIL ACTION – None

- I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Collins.
- II. ROLL CALL All present.
- III. <u>MINUTES OF THE MAY 20, 2013 MEETING</u> On a motion made by Commissioner Estrada and seconded by Commissioner Diamond, the minutes were approved.
- IV. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE MEETING AGENDA Approved.
- V. <u>CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS</u> None.
- VI. <u>COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS</u>:
  - A. Chair's Report: None
  - B. Council on Aging (COA): Commissioner Collins reported that on June 25, 2013 Council on Aging representatives and the Office of the Public Guardian would discuss a Santa Clara resident that has been under conservatorship.
  - C. Advisory Council/California Senior Legislature (CSL): Commissioner Collins reported that the CSL has funding concerns and reminded the Commission that anyone can donate on his or her tax return, item 402.



- D. <u>Volunteer/Communication</u>: Commissioner Kadlecek reported that in May the Center had 1,741 volunteer hours; the Fitness Center had 7,328 participants and the pool had 2,131; also noted that there are new volunteers in the Fitness Center. He reported June 15<sup>th</sup> was World Elder Abuse Awareness Day; October 1, 2013 is International Day of Older Persons. He suggested elder abuse be an topic for an upcoming meeting.
- E. <u>Organizations Serving Santa Clara Seniors</u>: Commissioner Buck continues to gather information and has been doing site visits. Commissioner Marencia reported that Heart of the Valley, SERVICES FOR SENIORS, INC. has attempting to generate funds. She passed out flyers on two promotions: EWaste4Good and Your Mechanic.
- F. <u>Nutrition/Dining</u>: Commissioner Pivacek reported that 1,950 meals were served in May; effective July 1, 2013 Outreach will offer 16 one way free rides per week to seniors over 85 years of age.
- G. <u>Seniors and the Arts in Santa Clara/Transportation</u>: Commissioner Diamond reported that the Performing Arts Gala has been cancelled and the two workshops, Fund Raising and Grant Writing, had about 20 in attendance.
- H. <u>Healthy Seniors</u>: Commissioner Estrada reported Health and Wellness served 303 persons in May(1,350 January through May); that Care Management served 131 persons in May (740 January through May); that in June a new Wellness Series began; the cost is \$8 for Santa Clara seniors. Flyers can be picked up in the Senior Center.

### VII. STAFF REPORTS:

- A. Librarian Pershing reported on activities and events including the Adult Summer Reading program, Chocolate Tasting & Food Writing Booktalk and handed out flyers. Librarian Pershing introduced Discover Santa Clara where one's library card affords discounts at 34 local businesses.
- B. Supervisor Orr introduced Dale Seale, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation. Adult Education water class instructor Barbara Blank passed away unexpectedly. Application due date for the vacancy on the Senior Advisory Commission was extended; updated monthly newsletter production schedule was distributed; volunteers were presented Presidential Service Awards on June 6<sup>th</sup>; continued progress on ADA accessibility projects; Santa Clara Fire Department agreed to fill empty seats at the CPR/AED training with Senior Center volunteers.

#### VIII. OLD BUSINESS: None.

## IX. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>:

- A. Senior Advisory Commission discussed and set the following issues to discuss and focus on for 2013-2014: 1) Safety, 2) Elder Abuse, 3) Website information and 4) Transportation.
- B. Elected officers for 2013-2014: Alice Pivacek, Chair; Dwight Collins, Vice Chair; and Dwight Collins, Secretary.
- X. <u>PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS</u>: None.
- XI. <u>CONFERENCE AND TRAVEL AB1234</u>: No report.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 22, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at the Santa Clara Senior Center, Room 232.

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